

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A magnifier device in combination with a portable video device:

said video display device having;

a main housing; and

a flip up display member having a display window, said flip up display member being rotatably connected to said main housing between a first stored position wherein said flip up display is positioned substantially adjacent said main housing and a second position upright relative to said main housing to expose said display window to a user;

said magnifier including;

a base member connected to said main housing; and

a magnifier portion connected to and rotatable relative to said base member, wherein said magnifier portion is rotatable between a first position disposed adjacent said display window to magnify a display when said flip up display is in said second position and a stored position compactly arranged adjacent said video display device when said flip up display is in said first stored position.

2. The combination according to claim 1, wherein said magnifier further includes a pair of spaced apart linking arms disposed between and rotatably connected to each of said base member and said magnifier thereby permitting compound movement between said base member and said magnifier.

3. The combination according to claim 2, wherein said magnifier further includes a cover member rotatably connected thereto, said cover member being rotatably between a first position exposing said magnifier and said display window and a second position covering said magnifier.

4. The combination according to claim 1, wherein said magnifier further includes a cover member rotatably connected thereto, said cover member being rotatably between a first position exposing said magnifier and said display window and a second position covering said magnifier.

5. The combination according to claim 1 further including an intermediate spacer member disposed between said magnifier portion and said base member to

maintain said magnifier portion spaced apart from said base member.

6. The combination according to claim 5, wherein said intermediate spacer member includes a vertical adjustment mechanism to allow selective vertical spatial positioning of said magnifier portion relative to said base member.

7. The combination according to claim 6, wherein said adjustment mechanism includes a tab formed on said magnifier portion and slidably disposed within a recessed channel formed in said intermediate spacer member; and a plurality of stops to maintain said magnifier in one of a plurality of relative vertical positions relative to said intermediate and said base member.

8. The combination according to claim 7, wherein said stops include at least one detent formed in said tab engaging one of a plurality of recesses formed in an inner wall surface of said channel.

9. The combination according to claim 7, wherein said magnifier further includes a cover member rotatably connected thereto, said cover member being rotatably between a first position exposing said magnifier and said display window and a second position covering said magnifier.

10. The combination according to claim 1, wherein said base member of said magnifier includes opposed side rails snugly engaging opposing sides of said flip up display member.

11. The combination according to claim 10, wherein said side rails each include a detent engaging a recess formed in a corresponding one of said opposing sides of said flip up display to form a snap fit connection between said magnifier and said flip up display member.

12. The combination according to claim 2, wherein said base member of said magnifier includes opposed side rails snugly engaging opposing sides of said flip up display member and said side rails each include a detent engaging a recess formed in a corresponding one

of said opposing sides of said flip up display to form a snap fit connection between said magnifier and said flip up display member.

13. The combination according to claim 7, wherein said base member of said magnifier includes opposed side rails snugly engaging opposing sides of said flip up display member and said side rails each include a detent engaging a recess formed in a corresponding one of said opposing sides of said flip up display to form a snap fit connection between said magnifier and said flip up display member.

14. A magnifier device for use with a portable video device, said magnifier comprising:

- a substantially rectangular planar base member;
- a magnifier portion connected to and rotatable relative to said base member, wherein said magnifier portion is rotatable between a first position parallel and co planar with said base member to a second position substantially orthogonally to said base member; and

- an intermediate spacer member disposed between said base member and said magnifier portion said

intermediate spacer member including a vertical adjustment mechanism to allow selective vertical spatial positioning of said magnifier portion relative to said base member.

15. The combination according to claim 14, wherein said adjustment mechanism includes a tab formed on said magnifier portion and slidingly disposed within a recessed channel formed in said intermediate spacer member; and a plurality of stops to maintain said magnifier in one of a plurality of relative vertical positions relative to said intermediate and said base member.

16. The magnifier according to claim 17, wherein said base member of said magnifier includes opposed side rails to engage opposing sides of said portable video device, said side rails each include a detent to engage a recess formed in opposing sides of said portable video device to facilitate a snap fit connection therebetween.

17. A magnifier device for use with a portable video device, said magnifier comprising:

a substantially rectangular planar base member;
a substantially rectangular planar magnifier
portion; and
a pair of spaced apart linking arms each disposed
between and rotatably connected to said base member
and said magnifier portion thereby permitting compound
movement between said base member and said magnifier.

18. The magnifier according to claim 17, wherein
said magnifier portion is rotatable between a first
position disposed on a first side of said base member
and parallel thereto to a second position
substantially orthogonal to said base member and to a
third position disposed on a second opposite side of
said base member and parallel thereto.

19. The magnifier according to claim 18, wherein
said base member of said magnifier includes opposed
side rails to engage opposing sides of said portable
video device, said side rails each include a detent to
engage a recess formed in opposing sides of said
portable video device to facilitate a snap fit
connection therebetween.

20. The magnifier according to claim 19, wherein said magnifier further includes a cover member rotatably connected thereto, said cover member being rotatably between a first position exposing said magnifier to permit viewing therethrough by a user and a second position covering said magnifier.